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DATABASE SPOTLIGHT: eStatement Studies (from Risk Management Association)

eStatement Studies is a business database that allows the user to search more than 250,000 financial statements from over 760 industries. Nineteen of the most widely used ratios in the financial services industry accompany the balance sheet information. These include various types of liquidity, coverage, leverage, and operating ratios. The database is organized according to the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS), a

product of the U.S. Office of Management and Budget.

eStatement Studies is easy to navigate. The Basic Search consists of a NAICS code drop-down menu and a search box. Researchers can choose to limit their search by year and by region. Six different data sorts are available to explore results: FRB Assets, FRB History, FRB Sales, IDP Assets, IDP History, and IDP Sales. These data sorts

mirror information found in the Annual Statement Studies publications. The Advanced Search option allows the user to find an industry or industries that meet specific criteria.

If you have questions about using this resource, contact the Library's Reference Desk at 507-389-5958.

Minnesota State Mankato Authors Reception Marilyn J. Lass Center for Minnesota Studies, 2nd floor

April 10, 2012 | 2:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.

Save the date! The bi-annual Minnesota State Mankato Authors Reception will be held on April 10, 2012 from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. This event honors faculty authors who have written and/or edited books with publication dates between March 2010 and March 2012. The current list is available at <http://lib.mnsu.edu/archives/authors/2012event.html>. If you are a faculty or staff member who has published a book during this time period and you are not on this list, please contact the University Archives, (507) 389-1029 or archives@mnsu.edu. We want to invite you!

Housed in the University Archives, the MSU Authors Collection is an important part of the Memorial Library's holdings. The works in this collection (list available at <http://lib.mnsu.edu/archives/authors/intro.html>) document the contributions of Minnesota State Mankato faculty, staff, students, and alumni to contemporary scholarship. In addition, the collection allows us to celebrate and honor scholarly achievement on the Minnesota State University, Mankato campus. We would like to add a copy of your book to the MSU Authors Collection and gladly accept donations.

Hall of Champions Display at the Taylor Center

Look for exciting new changes occurring both inside and around the Hall of Champions display cases at the Taylor Center! As a crucial destination for visitors and prospective students to Minnesota State University, Mankato, these University displays will define our journey to break down barriers, create solutions and achieve new levels of greatness, past and future. If your department has items or artifacts that you would like to donate to the Hall of Champions display, please contact the Minnesota State Mankato Archives, 507-389-1029, archives@mnsu.edu.

Library Used Book Sale

February 17 & 18
10:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

A used book sale will take place on the 1st floor of Memorial Library on Friday and Saturday, February 17 and 18. Here is your chance to get gently used adult and children's books at great prices.

Questions? Interested in volunteering? Please contact Leslie Peterson by e-mail at l.peterson@mnsu.edu or by phone at 507-389-2290.

Through a Lens Darkly: Animation from the Dark Side Free Library Film Showing

February 14, 2012 • 9:00 P.M. – 10:00 P.M. • Lower Level, ML 45



Join us for a night of intriguing entertainment when the Library shows six animated films produced by the National Film Board of Canada.

The films include the *Invasion of the Space Lobsters*, an animated spoof of classic 1950s B-movies that pits giant lobsters from outer space with earthlings. The film *Runaway* shows happy passengers riding on a crowded train, oblivious to the fate that awaits them around the bend. In the animated feature *Madame Tutli-Putli*, the protagonist traveling on a train faces the kindness and menace of strangers as day descends into dark. In *Strange Invaders*, we follow Roger and Doris who have been living a quiet, comfortable life. One night they are awakened by the arrival of a strange

child. Is it a gift from heaven or from someplace much farther out? The film *The Trenches* uses ink drawings to contemporize World War I archival images and portray the anxiety and surrealism of war. The final film, *Through My Thick Glasses*, takes place in Norway in the winter. To convince a short-sighted little girl to put on her cap before going out to play, her grandfather tells her a story about his personal history of the Second World War. Brimming with strange characters, his tale conjures up a world beyond the girl's comprehension. If you have questions or want more information about the program, contact Media Librarian, Barb Bergman, at barbara.bergman@mnsu.edu



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